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easier to tie up projects for let's say a five-year period.

SENATOR CARPENTER: May I proceed, Mr. Chairman?

PRESIDENT: Others have asked to speak. Do you want to respond to this?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Yes, maybe I can clarify what they want.

PRESIDENT: Sure, that's fine.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Let me say I have no interest in the bill at all. I don't care whether you pass it or kill it except I want you to anticipate the position you will be in when you get to the anticipation of the expenditures capital approval because then without the repeal of this bill you've got to have all the money before you can start building anything. I'm only trying to anticipate the problem we might have as the demand of capital improvements and things of that nature and what Senator Marvel says is 100% correct.

SENATOR MARVEL: Mr. President...

PRESIDENT: Go ahead, Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: I don't wish to interrupt this discussion, I have another meeting shortly. I would like to pass out so that you, if it isn't identified then you'll know where it comes from, a description of 235 money which is the State Aid to... it's the increase in welfare, the ADC payments. I'll pass this out, it comes from me by way of Mr. Graham, in case you want to know where it came from. I'm sorry to break in on this discussion. I assume now there are others who want to speak to 547.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Marvel. Now, Senator Warner, do you care to respond at this time? If not, Senator Snyder is ready to go. Senator Snyder, then Stahmer, then Kremer.

SENATOR SNYDER: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Marvel, do you have a moment before you have to leave? May I ask you a question, please?

PRESIDENT: Will you yield to a question, Senator Marvel?

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes, sir.

SENATOR SNYDER: Thank you. This follows the introduction given by Senator Carpenter that this is not just something light that we're dealing with here it's something that has bothered me, not bothered me, but something I've been concerned with since I came down here. You'll recall when we were talking of the increase in the cigarette taxes. At that time I called for having a capital construction budget, having money going solely for capital construction projects. In discussion since that time with you, one before our committee which--you had a bill similar to this I think at the same time we brought up Senator Carpenter's bill--that is, is there any method by which we could move to have a long range capital construction program rather than coming down here every year and deciding one building at a time? Isn't, and I'm just throwing this out for you and to follow up with Senator Carpenter's opening statement that when you consider that construction costs increase anywhere from 8, sometimes 20 or 25 per cent, that can you through your years of experience help us on this now by saying do this, do that, in order to put together a long term five-year, ten-year or fifteen-year program?